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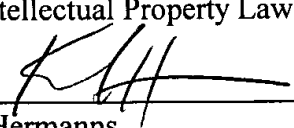
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Respectfully submitted,

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I (We) Richard A. Sederquist and Kevin Marchand
citizens of United States (Sederquist) and Canada (Marchand)
residing at 68 Wildflower Lane, Middletown, CT 06457; - #303-9145 Saturna Drive, Burnaby,
declare: British Columbia, CANADA V3J 7K1

That I (we) made and conceived the invention described and claimed in patent application:

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titled SHELL AND TUBE REACTOR

(Check and complete either I or II below)

(Check III and/or IV below as appropriate)

☒ I. (For Inventors Employed by an Organization) That I (we) made and conceived this invention while employed by Ballard Power Systems Inc. That the invention is related to the work I am (we are) employed to perform and was made within the scope of my (our) employment duties; That the invention was made during working hours and with the use of facilities, equipment, materials, funds, information and services of Ballard Power Systems Inc. Other relevant facts are the invention does not relate to nuclear material/atomic energy.

That to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief (and/or) based upon information provided by _____ of _____:

—OR—

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That to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief:

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—AND/OR—

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Date: December 10, 2001

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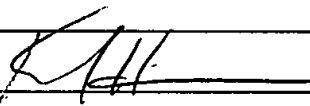
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